REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Claim 1 has been cancelled. Allowable Claims 2, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 9 have each been rewritten in independent form. Claim 7 has been amended to depend from Claim 2. New Claims 10-14 are based on Claim 7 but depend from Claims 4-6, 8 and 9, respectively.

Since all of the claims recite allowable subject matter, Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance and respectfully solicit an early notice of allowability.

Respectfully submitted,

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